

predetermined folding area located between said areas of structural weakness to form said fold structure.

5 69. A method of manufacturing a reclosable bag for
filling with at least one food product, said
reclosable bag including at least one sheet of web
material having at least one predetermined tear
10 area, at least one fold structure, and an opening
located generally opposite said fold structure; a
reclosable fastener assembly including at least
one integral skirt structure of skirt web material
extending therefrom; said integral skirt structure
15 including at least one distal margin; said distal
margin being coupled to said web material at, at
least one location between said tear area and said
opening; said reclosable fastener structure
extending past said tear area and into said fold
20 structure; said reclosable bag capable of being
filled with at least one food product, said method
comprising: folding said sheet of web material
along a predetermined folding area to produce said
fold structure; inserting said reclosable fastener
25 assembly into said fold structure; coupling said
distal margin of said integral skirt structure to
said web material; sealing said web material along
at least two predetermined linear areas located
generally perpendicular to said fold structure;
30 filling said reclosable bag with at least one food
product through said opening; and sealing said
opening.

70. The method of claim 69 wherein the step of sealing said web material along at least two predetermined linear areas occurs last.

5 71. The method of claim 69 wherein the first step is coupling at least one predetermined portion of said distal margin of said integral skirt structure to at least one predetermined portion of said web material prior to folding said sheet of
10 web material.

15 72. The method of claim 69 including the further step of inserting and sealing a header material into said predetermined fold area at least prior to the step of sealing said web material along at least said two predetermined linear areas.

20 73. The method of claim 69 including the further step of inserting and sealing at least one tear structure into said predetermined fold area at least prior to the step of sealing said web material along at least said two predetermined linear areas.

25 74. The method of claim 69 including the further step of sealing a predetermined portion of said fold structure and forming a header structure; said further step being subsequent to said step of folding said sheet of web material along a
30 predetermined folding area located between said areas of structural weakness to form said fold structure.